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A corporate lawyer, Tatanene Manata represents Kenge district—a largely agricultural area in western Bandundu Region—in the Legislative Council, the unicameral national legislature. Elected to the Council in 1982 as an alternate member, he became a full member in 1985. He served on the Justice Subcommittee before assuming his current post.

Tatanene was born on 12 November 1945 in Kasinsi, Bandundu Region. He holds degrees in political science and commercial law and a doctorate in law from the Catholic University of Louvain in Belgium. After graduate work at Harvard Law School and the International Legal Center in Boston, he interned at the Court of Appeals in Brussels. Returning home in 1972, he represented the Zairian branches of Fiat and Lever Brothers. He has also practiced before the Kinshasa Court of Appeals. In 1979 he was named legal adviser on the executive staff of the Minister of Public Works and Territorial Management. Tatanene speaks fluent French and some English.

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